

Work Plan Topics

February 2020

1. Roads & Bridges

- a. BIG program projects
 - i. River Bridges – Construction update at 11/05/19 meeting with SDDOT on construction timeline
 - ii. Sinai Bridge – bid late 2019, construction to take place in 2020
 - iii. Amended 5-Year Plan to add bridges for submission of Preservation/Engineering grants
 - iv. 01/02/2020 submitted application to the SDDOT for river bridge north of Bruce
 - v. Work continues on river bridges on South Hwy 77 has weather and river levels allow
 - vi. County had 7 successful and 1 unsuccessful Preliminary Engineering grant applications in August 2019.
- b. 5-year plan - 2021
 - i. Brian will present the draft 2021-2025 5-year plan at budget time.
- c. Basin Electric Bridge/Co Rd 27
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- d. Bruce structure under 20'
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- f. Working with Banner and Associates for preliminary work on structures under 20'
 - i. 06-100-122U, 2.8 miles north of Volga on CR 5 for construction in 2020
 - ii. 06-100-159U, 0.9 miles south of Volga on CR 5 for construction in 2020
- g. 2020 Budget
 - i. Township Grant Dollars: \$100,000 approved for 2020
 - ii. Brian would like to meet with the Township Grant Committee (Krogman, Jensen, Steffensen, Gustad) to refine the application process.
 - iii. Committee to present changes to the County Commission for approval on 02/18/2020.
 - iv. Packets to be sent to each township after Commission approval.
 - v. Brian will update townships on application process and answer questions at the 03/05/2020 Towns & Townships Meeting at the BCOAC.
- h. Future planning – Assigned dollars in the fund balance for county's match of BIG program projects.

2. Jail Expansion

- a. Working with BKV on finalizing Design Development & starting construction documents
- b. Waiting on court resolution on disputes with the City of Brookings
- c. In contract negotiations with CMAR candidate

3. Joint Jurisdiction Committee

- a. Ordinance was approved by the Joint Jurisdiction Committee on 09/19/19 and send to City & County Planning & Zoning Commissions for review and approval.
- b. City & County Planning & Zoning Commissions, in joint sessions, are reviewing the draft ordinance.

4. Mental Health Task Force

- a. Last meeting was 7/22/19. Representatives from the group will be presenting recommendations at a future Commission meeting. Would like to have a Commissioner appointed to the Community Coalition.
- b. Commissioner Boersma has been appointed to the Community Coalition.

5. BCOAC
 - a. Parking lot project is almost finished; need to have contractor back in the spring to address issues.
6. BATA space at Highway/storage concerns:
 - a. Continue discussions on a potential new location for BATA/purchase of BATA building
 - b. Commission assigned \$200,000 for future purchase of BATA bus garage building.
 - c. BATA is working/in discussions with the Brookings School District on finding a new, joint location for both BATA and the school's bus barn.
7. Union negotiations – take place in 2019
 - a. Union contracts were approved/signed by Commission on 7/23/19.
 - b. New contracts took effect on 01/01/2020; 3-year contracts through 12/31/22.
8. 2019 budget discussion on bike trail between Brookings and Aurora, 213th Street
9. I-29 Overpass
 - a. Passed a resolution supporting the city's grant application for the project and up to \$2 million in funding.
 - b. Grant application was denied. Assigned \$1 M for this project.
 - c. Commission approved spending \$5,000 toward a cost/benefit survey for the 2019 20th Street Interchange grant application on 6/18/19.
 - d. Federal Government, Transportation Dept – reviewing grant applications. Should know results of that review in the next couple of weeks.
 - e. BUILD grant was approved. Commissioner Jensen, Highway Superintendent Gustad, Commission Dept. Director Steffensen are attending meetings to get updates on the project. City is working with SDDOT to help administer the project. County working with city on MOU for funding the project.
10. Analyze/Update Ordinances
 - a. All ordinances were updated on the county website so only the most current version is posted. Done per new state statute that went into effect on 7/1/19.
11. Meetings with small towns and school districts in the county
 - a. Ryan and I met – would like county to be at the table when discussing potential economic development projects. But question what county participation/assistance looks like.
 - b. Send a notice to each city and school district in the county that a commissioner could attend a future meeting – specifically to discuss projects that may impact (or move out into) the county.
 - c. Letter sent to city councils and school boards on 04/26/19.
 - d. Did not receive any responses from letters sent.
12. Self-evaluation of county's organization
 - a. Working through the Communities of Excellence program
 - b. Review how Commission Department operates.
 - c. Stacy is now attending the Communities of Excellence weekly meetings.
13. Humane Society Task Force
 - a. \$10,000 budgeted in FY2020 Annual Budget
14. Drainage Concerns – Medary Township
 - a. Meeting held at BCOAC February 2019
 - b. Drainage meeting held on 01/21/20 – discussion on creating an ad hoc committee to look at blocked drainage-ways and other potential issues.

15. Medary Monument

- a. County owns monument and is working on repairs/maintenance and upkeep with Daughters of the American Revolution Brookings Chapter.

16. Samara Avenue – through Volga

- a. Request from City of Volga to take over a portion of Samara Avenue through the city and to do a renovation project on that stretch of road. Committee of Commissioners Bartley and Jensen, as well as Highway Superintendent Brian Gustad will continue to work with Volga city representatives.
- b. A meeting was held on 1/27/20 – discussion on county keeping the road and doing the project jointly with the City of Volga. County would pay to upgrade the road; City of Volga would pay for curb/gutter, utility, sidewalk, etc... improvements.